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10 January 1958

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary,
Utilization Advisory Board

SUBJECT: Dissemination Outside of Talent System of
Area Analysis Radar Overlays (TAAR's) utilizing
CHESS Photography

REFERENCES: A. Navy Memo to Chairman, UAB, [REDACTED]
(OP-922HLF/my Ser NT-00375, 18 Nov. 57 with
Attachments.

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B. USAF Memo to Chairman, UAB, TH 1711-6,
5 Nov. 1956.

C. UAB Memo, [REDACTED] 7 Nov. 1956.

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1. The Navy requests (Reference A) that the UAB authorize production of CHESS-corrected TAAR overlays for a series of specified priority targets for which the Navy has [REDACTED] responsibilities. The Navy has the facilities to produce these materials in Washington. Two points present themselves, one involving previous action by the UAB; the other, protection of source.

2. In November of 1956 the Air Force presented a plan for utilizing information derived from CHESS materials in the production of standard target graphics, including TAAR's (Reference B). This plan, concurred in by the Army and Navy and approved by the UAB (Reference C), designated the Air Force to be the coordinating agency for the production of standard air target graphics containing CHESS material, including the scheduling of production for all agencies, and the Air Force has been producing graphics under this charter similar to those for which the Navy requests production be authorized. The Navy request was forwarded via the Air Force but Air Force views relative to the Navy problem have not been determined.

3. The problem of protection source in this material involves a critical position in which the great need for the up-to-date TAAR's is balanced against the fact that anyone familiar with TAAR's will likely conclude that details contained were obtained from aerial photography of recent date. Denial, of course, can be made. A statement on

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the problem by Mr. [] of HTAUTOMAT, who was engaged in this preparation of TAAR's for several years, is enclosed for your information. It would seem, however, that, in so far as content is concerned, the decision previously made when permission was granted to Air Force would be applicable to Navy as well.

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Enclosures (2)

1. Memo from Deputy Chief, Technical Intelligence Branch.
2. [] with enclosures

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